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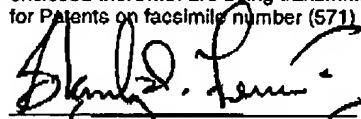
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In re Application of : Chaudhari et al.  
Serial No. : 10/042,827 Examiner : M. Pierre  
Filed : January 4, 2002 Art Unit : 2654  
For : EFFICIENT RECURSIVE CLUSTERING BASED  
ON A SPLITTING FUNCTION DERIVED FROM  
SUCCESSIVE EIGEN-DECOMPOSITIONS

August 15, 2006

PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

I hereby certify that this correspondence and any documents referred to as  
enclosed therewith are being transmitted by facsimile to the Commissioner  
for Patents on facsimile number (571) 273-8300 on August 15, 2006.

  
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Reg. No. 33,879

August 15, 2006  
Date of Signature

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby petitions for an extension of time for a total period of one (1)  
month through and including August 15, 2006, to respond to the Office Action mailed on  
March 15, 2006. If an additional extension of time is required to insure that this paper is  
timely filed, please consider this a petition therefor.

The Response for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.

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Applicant is other than a small entity and the extension fee required under 37

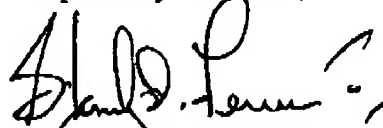
C.F.R. § 1.17(a)-(d) is calculated below:

	large entity	small entity
( ) one month	\$120	\$60
( X ) two months	\$450	\$225
( ) three months	\$1,020	\$510
( ) four months	\$1,590	\$795
( ) five months	\$2,160	\$1,080

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Respectfully submitted,



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